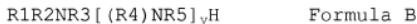


II. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) [[A]] An essentially nonvolatile, caustic free composition comprising one or more oligo alkylene glycols and/or their mono alkyl ethers, in combination with one or more, optionally partially (~~partially~~) neutralized, nonvolatile di/oligoamines, corresponding to formulas A and B, respectively:



wherein each R is independently hydrogen, or a monovalent, saturated one to six carbon hydrocarbyl ligand or a phenyl group, each R' is independently chosen from among divalent saturated two to six carbon hydrocarbyl ligands each A is a monovalent ligand chosen from among hydrogen or a 2 to four carbon hydroxy acyl group, and x is an integer from 3 to 20:



wherein R1, R2, R4 are each independently hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, propyl, 2-hydroxyethyl or 2- or 3-hydroxypropyl ligands, and each R3, and each R5 are independently two to 12 carbon divalent saturated hydrocarbyl or ether ligands, and y is an integer from [[0]] 1 to 5, inclusive
and wherein the ratio of the compound of formula A to the compound of formula B is in the range of from 47:53 to 70:30.

2. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the degree of neutralization (pH) has been adjusted such that dilution with from one to 10 volumes of water per volume of composition of claim 1 produces a mixture having a pH in the

range of 6 to 8.

3. (Original) The composition according to claim 1 further comprising a neutralizing agent that is a di or polybasic acid.

4. (Original) The composition according to claim 2 further comprising a neutralizing agent that is a di or polybasic acid.

5. (Original) The composition of any of claims 1-4, further comprising defoamers, water, wetting agents, or a combination thereof.

6. (Original) The composition of any of claims 1-4, wherein the oligo alkylene glycols and their mono alkyl ethers are essentially nonvolatile.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of removing polymeric organic coatings such as waxes, printing inks, and/or paints from solid substrates, comprising applying application to the coating [[of]] a composition according to any of claims 1-4 ~~claims 1-6~~.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of removing waxes, printing inks, and/or paints from solid substrates, comprising applying application to the coating [[of]] a composition according to any of claims 1-4 ~~claims 1-6~~.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 ~~claim 9~~, wherein the coating to be removed is a wax.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 ~~claim 9~~, wherein the coating to be removed is an ink.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 ~~claim 9~~, wherein the coating to be removed is a paint.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for producing a composition according to claim 1, comprising combining with one or more oligo alkylene glycols and/or their mono alkyl ethers, and/or ether hydroxy esters in combination with one or more, optionally partially ~~optionally partially~~ neutralized, nonvolatile di/oligoamines, corresponding to formulas A and B, respectively, as defined in claim 1.

14. (Currently Amended) A method of producing a composition according to claim 13, further comprising adding ~~combining with~~ one or more wax stripper additives, one or more ink stripper additives, or one or more paint stripper additives to the ~~composition~~.

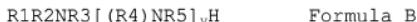
15. (Currently Amended) A composition of matter according to claim 1, comprising ~~consisting essentially of~~ one or more oligo alkylene glycols and/or their mono alkyl ethers, and/or ~~and/or~~ ether hydroxy esters ~~specifically delineated herein~~, in combination with one or more, optionally partially ~~optionally partially~~ neutralized, nonvolatile di/oligoamines, specifically delineated herein, corresponding to formulas A and B, respectively, as defined in claim 1.

16-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) An essentially nonvolatile, caustic free composition essentially consisting of one or more oligo alkylene glycols and/or their mono alkyl ethers, in combination with one or more, optionally partially neutralized, nonvolatile di/oligoamines, corresponding to formulas A and B, respectively:



wherein each R is independently hydrogen, or a monovalent, saturated one to six carbon hydrocarbyl ligand or a phenyl group, each R' is independently chosen from among divalent saturated two to six carbon hydrocarbyl ligands each A is a mono valent ligand chosen from among hydrogen or a 2 to four carbon hydroxy acyl group, and x is an integer from 3 to 20:



wherein R1, R2, R4 are each independently hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, propyl, 2-hydroxyethyl or 2- or 3-hydroxypropyl ligands, and each R3, and each R5 are independently two to 12 carbon divalent saturated hydrocarbyl or ether ligands, and y is an integer from 1 to 5, inclusive.

22. (New) The composition according to claim 21, wherein the degree of neutralization (pH) has been adjusted such that dilution with from one to 10 volumes of water per volume of composition of claim 1 produces a mixture having a pH in the range of 6 to 8.

23. (New) The composition according to claim 21 further comprising a neutralizing agent that is a di or polybasic acid.

24. (New) The composition according to claim 22 further comprising a neutralizing agent that is a di or polybasic acid.

25. (New) The composition of any of claims 21-24, further comprising defoamers, water, wetting agents, or a combination thereof.